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SUBJECT: PERUVIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON RECEIVES BOMB

REF: STATE 106950

1. FYI - AS OF MAY 23, INVESTIGATION OF DEVICE MAILED TO PERUVIAN EMBASSY REVEALS THAT IT WAS IN CARDBOARD CONTAINER FOUR BY SIX BY EIGHT INCHES WITH METAL EDGES. IT WAS MAILED TO COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT OF THE PERUVIAN EMBASSY AND BORE THE SAME RETURN ADDRESS. THERE WAS A SLIP OF PAPER INSIDE THE PACKAGE WITH THE LEGEND: MR. AMASON, 3119 63RD PLACE, CHEVERLY, MARYLAND. THE POSTMARK HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED.

2. DEVICE INCLUDES A PUSH-BUTTON ARMING SWITCH ON TOP OF THE CONTAINER, RESISTORS, A CAPACITOR AND BATTERIES. IT IS INCENDIARY RATHER THAN EXPLOSIVE AND CONTAINS A SULPHUR-BASED COMPOUND SIMILAR TO THAT USED IN ROAD FLARES. IT WOULD APPEAR TO BE THE WORK OF AN AMATEUR BECAUSE THE
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WIRING WAS CONNECTED IN SUCH A WAY THAT THE DEVICE WAS IN-

OPERATIVE. THE FBI IS CONTINUING ITS INVESTIGATION.
END FYI.

3. PERUVIAN MINISTER-COUNSELOR REQUESTED AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE FOR TRANSMISSION TO FOREIGN MINISTRY WHICH INTENDS TO ISSUE A PRESS RELEASE ON THE MATTER. FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS PASSED TO PERUVIANS THE MORNING

OF MAY 23: THE DEVICE IS INCENDIARY; IT WAS INOPERATIVE BECAUSE OF FAULTY WIRING; IT IS BELIEVED TO BE THE WORK OF AN AMATEUR; AND THE FBI IS CONTINUING ITS INVESTIGATION. RUSH

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